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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

This is in response to the Communication mailed July 3, 2006. The Communication alleges that the species election made in Applicant's reply of April 20, 2006 was incomplete because no species of "diversifying" was elected. While Applicant respectfully disagrees, a provisional species election of "mutagenesis" (see claim 2) is hereby made as a species of "diversifying." Applicant maintains traversal of the restriction requirement for the reasons already of record.

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Respectfully submitted,

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